

2021/22

Berkeley Law



AT BERKELEY LAW, WE ADMIT PEOPLE, NOT NUMBERS.



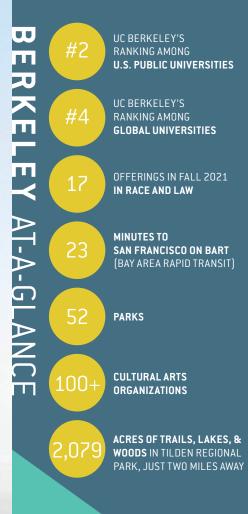




A FEW THINGS THAT SET BERKELEY LAW APART:

- You don't need to wait until your second year to make a
 difference. Our 40 Student Initiated Legal Projects let you
 dig into legal work in your first year—from the Tenants'
 Rights Workshop, to Homelessness Service Project, to the
 Clean Energy Leaders in Law. You can also join 12 of our
 13 journals during your first year, or try out for one of our
 competitive advocacy teams.
- We were among the very first law schools to recognize
 the need for a First Generation Professionals student
 organization. This group offers community, alumni
 mentorship, social events, and support from faculty who
 are first-gen themselves.
- Our judicial clerkship program delivers dramatic results.
 Nearly 20% of the Class of 2020 obtained current or future term clerkships, most of them coveted positions with federal judges. Specialized advising, a stellar reputation, and a vast network of contacts and resources help our students achieve their clerkship goals.
- We believe that law school is tough, but it doesn't have
 to be brutal. Our non-traditional grading system means
 students are focused on doing their best work, not doing
 better than their classmates. And there is nothing brutal
 about weather that hovers between 50 and 75 degrees
 almost year round.







NOT SO MEAN

50° BERKELEY

32° NEW YORK CITY

24° ANN ARBOR

21° CHICAGO

Berkeley Law offers a rock-solid academic foundation, whether you're aiming for corporate litigation, public interest law, criminal prosecution, international law, or any of a dozen other fields. But the foundation is just the base. You can build anything on it.

FIRST YEAR (1L)

CONTRACTS **CRIMINAL LAW LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING WRITTEN & ORAL ADVOCACY CONSTITUTIONAL LAW ELECTIVES**

CIVIL PROCEDURE

WE RECOMMEND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW + ONE OTHER ELECTIVE

UPPER DIVISION (2L/3L)

The second- and third-year curriculum offers a variety of topics and course styles, including seminars, individual and group research projects, clinical work, and judicial externships. The only required courses are Constitutional Law, if not taken in the first year, a course in Professional Responsibility, a course in Professional Skills, and satisfaction of the law school's Writing Requirement.

COURSES BY SUBJECT

Our curriculum is rich in traditional subjects as well as innovative and specialized courses like the ones listed here. Course descriptions and requirements may change; not all courses are offered every year.

BUSINESS, LAW & ECONOMICS

Advanced Topics in Corporate Governance: US & Asia

Antitrust Investigations & Litigation Bankruptcy

Blockchain, CryptoEconomics, & the Future Directions of Technology,

Business, & Law

Business Associations

Business in Societu

Construction Law

Contracts for LL.M. Students

Corporate Finance & Law

Corporate Tax

Deal Litigation Bootcamp

Deal Workshop: Mergers & Acquisitions **Drafting & Negotiation Sports**

Law Contracts

Drafting Business Contracts

Employment Law

Executive Compensation

Federal Income Taxation

Financial Management of Non-Profits Regulation of Financial Institutions

Fundamentals of Leveraged Buyouts

Governance in Venture Capital: The Dual Fiduciary Problem

Insider Trading

Insurance Law

Advanced Topics in Insurance Law Interdisciplinary Approach to Land

Development & Investment International Antitrust Law International Business Transactions

Introduction to Financial Accounting

Labor Law

Law & Economics of Discrimination Law, Accounting, & Business Workshop

Mergers & Acquisitions

Negotiating Hollywood Contracts

New Business Community Law Bootcamp

New Business Community Law Practicum

Partnership Taxation

Partnerships & LLCs

Practice 99 - How to Open Your

Own Practice

Real Estate Transactions & Litigation Representing Professional Athletes

Regulation of Capital Markets Regulation of New Technologies -

FinTech & Social Media

The Role of the Lawyer in Advancing Corporate Social Responsibility Secured Transactions: Article 9 Selected Topics in Venture Capital Securities Regulation

Silicon Valley Antitrust

Social Enterprise Law

Structuring & Negotiating Complex Financial Transactions

Tax Policy Seminar Topics in Sports Law

Transactional Drafting

Venture Capital Finance

Venture Funds: Structuring, Advising

& Regulating

Venture Capital Deal Bootcamp

CLINICS & FIELD PLACEMENTS

Away Field Placements

Criminal Field Placements

Death Penalty Clinic

Environmental Law Clinic

Domestic Violence Practicum

East Bay Community Law Center

Community Clinic

Environmental Field Placements

General Field Placements

International Human Rights Law Clinic

Judicial Externships

Policy Advocacy Clinic

Samuelson Law, Technology & Public

Policy Clinic **UCDC** Field Placements

Veterans' Law Practicum

CRIMINAL LAW

Advanced Topics in Criminal Law

Capital Punishment & the **Constitution Seminar**

Computer Crime Law

Criminal Field Placement Ethics

Seminar

Criminal Field Placements

Berkeley Law is committed to fostering an academic environment where all students can thrive. Our Academic Skills Program (ASP) - offering individual advising, small group workshops led by upperclass fellows, and skills-focused courses - helps students build the skills critical to success in law school and in practice. ASP is open to everyone.

Criminal Justice Seminar Criminal Procedure: Adjudication Criminal Procedure: Investigations Criminal Trial Practice Death Penalty Clinic Death Penalty Clinic Seminar Domestic Violence Law Domestic Violence Practicum Forensic Evidence in Criminal Trials International Criminal Law Juvenile Justice Police Interrogations & Investigations Post-Conviction Remedies School to Prison Pipeline Where Civil & Criminal Laws Collide White Collar Crime Youth Law & Policy

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Climate Change & the Law Energy Law & Policy Energy Project Development & Finance **Environmental Field Placement Seminar Environmental Justice** Environmental Law & Policy Environmental Law Clinic Environmental Law Colloquium **Environmental Law Writing Seminar Environmental Transaction Law** International Environmental Law Land-Use Law Law of Hazardous Waste: CERCLA, RCRA

& the Common Law Claims Ocean & Coastal Law Public Lands & Natural Resources Renewable Energy Law & Policy Science & Regulatory Policy Water Law

Workshop on Development of the Environment

FAMILY LAW

California Marital Property Domestic Violence Law Domestic Violence Practicum Family Law Race, Sexuality, & the Law Reproductive Rights & Justice Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, & the Law

INTERNATIONAL & COMPARATIVE LEGAL STUDIES

Advanced Topics in Corporate Governance: US & Asia

Armed Conflict & International Law Colloquium on International Human Rights Comparative Equality &

Anti-discrimination Law Foreign Relations Law Health & Human Rights Human Rights Investigation Lab International & Foreign Legal Research International Litigation & Arbitration International Criminal Law International Environmental Law International Human Rights Law International Human Rights Law Clinic International Law

International Trade

Islamic Law

Jewish Law

Oceans & Coastal Law Refugee Law & Processes Theories of International Law Transnational Commercial Law

Transnational Intellectual Property UN Human Rights Practice Course

JURISPRUDENCE & SOCIAL POLICY (JSP)

* open only to students accepted as **BELS Fellows**

** open only to first-year JSP Ph.D. students

Advanced Interdisciplinary Workshop

Advanced Topics in Jurisprudence: Civil Rights in American History African American Legal History American Federalism Seminar American Legal History Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies

Seminar* California's Prison Crisis Citizenship & Immigration Comparative Constitutional Law Constitutional Law & Rational Choice

Constitutionalism Before the Constitution

Courts & Social Policy Criminal Justice Theory

Criminal Law & the Regulation of Vice Critical Theory & Social Science Methods

Diversity & Democracy

Empirical Perspectives on Gender Law & Society

Feminist Jurisprudence

Foundation Seminar in Law & Society

Foundation Seminar in the Sociology of Law

Foundations of Legal Philosophy Foundations of Moral Philosophy

Foundations of Political Philosophy

From Community Control to Mass Incarceration

Future of Reproductive Rights

History of Political Economy

Implicit Bias

Intermediate Statistics

Interview Methods

Introduction to Law, Economics & Business

Introductory Statistics

JSP Orientation Seminar**

JSP Teaching Practicum

Judicial Decisionmaking

Judicial Politics in non-Democracies

Jurisprudence

Juvenile Justice

Law & Classical Social Theory

Law & Economics Workshop

Law & History Foundation Seminar

Law & Order

Law & Organizations: Employment Law

& Civil Rights

Law & Psychology

Law & Social Change

Law & Society Colloquium

Law & Society Workshop

Law, War & History

Legal Institutions

Ocean & Coastal Law Privacy Seminar

Psychology of Diversity & Discrimination in American Law

Public Opinion/Survey Research Methods Qualitative Field & Observational Methods Readings in Slavery, History, & Law Reproduction & Sexuality Seminar

Reproductive Rights

Research Design

Social Movements & the Law

Social Scientific Foundations of the Interdisciplinary Study of Law Teaching Learning in Higher Education Topics in Quantitative Methods Victimless Crime: Changing Patterns of State Regulations of Vice War & Peace Workshop in Law, Political Philosophy &

Political Theory Workshop on Citizenship & Immigration Workshop on the Future of Reproduction

LAW & TECHNOLOGY AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Art & Cultural Property Law Berkeley IP Practicum Clinic The Business of Intellectual Property Computer Law Copyright: Advanced Seminar Copyright Law Cybercrime Cybersecurity Entertainment Law: TV & Film Information Privacy Law Topics in Information Privacy Law & Security Intellectual Property & Social Justice Seminar Intellectual Property Scholarship Seminar Intellectual Property Law IP & Entrepreneurship IP in the Music Industry Patent Law Patent Litigation I Patent Litigation II: PTAB & ICC Patent Prosecution Privacy Law for Technologists Privacy Litigation Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic & Seminar Secrecy: The Use and Abuse of Information in the Courts

Tech Industry Contracts
Telecommunications, Broadcast &
Internet Law
Topics in Trade Secrets
Trademark Law
Transnational Intellectual Property
Video Game & Social Media Law

Surveillance Law & Technology

Silicon Valley Antitrust

Technology for Lawyers

Wine Law

LEGAL ETHICS & PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Civil Field Placement Ethics Seminar Criminal Field Placement Ethics Seminar Domestic Violence Seminar Legal Ethics in Contemporary Practice Legal Profession Practical Ethics: A Simulation Approach

LEGAL THEORY & HISTORY

Advanced Topics in Jurisprudence: Civil Rights in American Legal History History of Political Economy J.S.D. & LL.M. Legal Scholarship Seminar Readings in Slavery, History, & Law Theories of International Law

LITIGATION & PROCEDURE

Advanced Civil Procedure

Appellate Advocacy Antitrust Investigations & Litigation Anti-Discrimination Law Appellate Competition Intensive Civil Trial Practice Civil Procedure for LL.M. Students Complex Civil Litigation Conflict of Laws Criminal Trial Practice Depositions Evidence Evidence: Advanced Topics Federal Courts Federal District Court Practice Forensic Evidence in Criminal Trials McBaine Moot Court Competition Mediation Multi-district Litigation: Class Actions & Mass Torts **Negotiations** Patent Litigation I Patent Litigation II: PTAB & ITC Pretrial Civil Litigation Privacy Litigation Real Estate Transactions & Litigation Remedies Trial Competition

MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

9th Circuit Practicum & Seminar

Colloquium on Law & Psychology
Courts, Lawyers & Justice in Film
Critical Race Theory
Mindfulness for Lawyers
Fundamentals of U.S. Law
Implicit Bias
Law & Economics Workshop
Sociology of Law & Organizations

SIMULATION COURSES

Advanced Legal Research
Advanced Legal Research-Pathfinder
Advanced Legal Writing
Advanced Legal Writing for LL.M.s
Appellate Advocacy
Appellate Competition Intensive
Civil Trial Practice
Criminal Trial Practice
Depositions
Drafting & Negotiating Sports Law
Contracts
Drafting Business Contracts
International Business Negotiations

Judicial Externship Seminar
Lawyering as Problem Solving
Legal Research & Writing for LL.M.s
McBaine Moot Court Competition
Mediation
Negotiations
Negotiations Competition Intensive
Oral Advocacy for LL.M.s
Persuasion

Practical Ethics: A Simulation Approach
Practice 99: How to Open Your Own
Practice

Pre-trial Civil Litigation
Skills of Exceptional Lawyers
Structural Change in Public Education
Seminar and Simulation Course
Transactional Drafting for LL.M. Students
Transactional Drafting
Trial Competition

PUBLIC LAW & POLICY

Administrative Law
Administrative Law for LL.M. Students
Administrative State and Inequality
Advanced Administrative Law
Advanced Constitutional Law: Federalis

Advanced Constitutional Law: Federalism Advanced Constitutional Law:

Separation of Powers Anti-Discrimination Law California Constitutional Law California Supreme Court Seminar Civil Rights & Discrimination Law Colloquium on Law & Psychology The Constitution in the Early Republic The Constitution in War Time Constitutional Law Constitutional Litigation Consumer Protection Law Contemporary Issues in Constitutional Law Courts in a Democracy Current Topics in Media Law Education & the Law Election Law

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Courts in a Democracy
Current Topics in Media Law
Education & the Law
Election Law
Federal Courts
Federal Indian Law
First Amendment
Food, Law & Policy
Health Law
Immigration Law
Law & the Social Safety Net
Law of War
Legislation & Statutory Interpretation

Legislation & Statutory Interpretation
Local Government Law
Marijuana Law & Policy
Mental Health & the Law
Policy Advocacy Clinic
Political Economy of Public Law
Positive Constitutional Rights on the
Ground
Principles of Administrative Law for

LL.M.s

Public Law & Policy Workshop Race & American Law

Race, Sexuality, & the Law Secrecy: The Use and Abuse of Information in the Court Seminar on the U.S. Supreme Court Sexual Orientation & the Law Statutory Implementation: Rulemaking in the Student Loan Industry Strategic Constitution Litigation in Property Rights and Economic Liberty Practicum & Seminar Supreme Court Seminar **UCDC Law Program** Veterans' Law Practicum Where Capitalism Meets Democracy: **Election Finance** Whistleblower Law Workshop on Borders & Belonging

SOCIAL JUSTICE & PUBLIC INTEREST

Access to Justice

Advanced Civil Rights Advanced Topics in Jurisprudence: Civil Rights in American History Animal Law Anti-Discrimination Law Asian Americans & the Law Business & Human Rights Business in Society Colloquium on Law & Psychology Comparative Equality & Anti-discrimination Law Constitutional Law Consumer Bankruptcy Law Consumer Litigation Consumer Protection Law Credit Reporting in the Modern Economy Crimmigration Criminal Justice Seminar Critical Race Theory Death Penalty Clinic Debt, Discrimination, & Inequality Disability Rights Domestic Violence Law

Domestic Violence Practicum East Bay Community Law Center Community Law Practice Education & the Law Education Law & Policy Practicum Clinic Election Law **Employment Discrimination Environmental Justice** Environmental Law Clinic Financial Management of Non-Profits First Amendment Health & Human Rights How Contracts Really Work Human Rights Investigations Lab Immigration Law Latinos and the Law Topics in Immigration Law Implicit Bias Intellectual Property & Social Justice

International Human Rights Law Clinic

Labor & Employment Arbitration

Law & Classical Social Theory

Lawyering as Problem Solving

Labor Law

Intersectionality, Law, & Popular Culture

Mental Health & the Law Mindfulness for Lawyers Negotiating Emotions and Trauma **New Racial Studies** Positive Constitutional Rights on the Ground Psychology of Diversity & Discrimination in American Law Policy Advocacy Clinic Post-Conviction Remedies Race & American Law Race Through Narrative and Storytelling Race, Sexuality, & the Law Refugee Law & Processes Representing Low-Wage Workers Reproductive Rights & Justice

Restorative Justice

Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic School to Prison Pipeline Sexual Orientation & the Law Slavery, History & Law Social Justice Issues in Entertainment & Media Law Social Justice Writing Seminar State and Local Impact Litigation Seminar & Practicum Statutory Implementation: Rulemaking in the Student Loan Industry Structural Change in Public Education Seminar & Simulation Course Student Loan Law Surveillance Law & Technologu Transitional Justice **UN Human Rights Practice Course** Wealth Inequality & the Law Workshop on Citizenship & Immigration

TAX, ESTATES & TRUSTS

Corporate Income Tax
Estates & Trusts
Income Tax I
International Tax Law
Partnership Tax
Tax Policy Seminar
Taxation of Modern Financial Products

WORK LAW

Disability Rights
Employee Benefits Law
Employment Discrimination
Employment Law
Labor & Employment Arbitration
Labor Law
Representing Low-wage Workers
Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity,
& the Law
Whistleblower Law

ENHANCE YOUR WRITING & RESEARCH SKILLS

Student-Published Journals

Berkeley Law students edit and publish 13 law journals. Two of them, *Ecology Law Quarterly* and the *Berkeley Technology Law Journal*, were the first—and are still the best—of their kind.

Our journals allow students to delve into topics they're interested in, and build their skills by editing papers written by leading scholars and practitioners. Ranging from the venerable *California Law Review*, launched in 1912, to the exclusively online *Berkeley Journal of Entertainment and Sports Law*, the publications track the evolving interests of our students—and encourage innovative scholars to chart the legal territory ahead.

All journals except the California Law Review are open to first-year students.

RESEARC

Berkeley Law hosts 25 centers and initiatives where faculty and researchers seek interdisciplinary solutions to wide-ranging challenges.

knowledge of British affairs and their implications for the U.S.

Convenes scholars, activists, and legal professionals from six continents to address equality

Works to ensure safe, equal, and fair access to the marketplace, and to cultivate a society opportunity are available to all.

The hub of Berkeley Law's teaching on the impact of law on business and the United States' and global economies.

Promotes the understanding and guides the development of intellectual property and related fields of law and policy as they intersect with business, science, and technology.

Promotes cross-disciplinary scholarship confronting today's pressing employment-related

Cultivates research, programming, visiting scholars, colloquia, and classes to bolster academic inquiry and discourse related to

Provides education and resources for jurists and helps students better grasp how the judiciary works by probing íssues such as judicial integrity, ethics, impartiality, and political influence.

The first and only center at any law school devoted exclusively to studying the constitution and high court of California.

CENTER FOR LAW, ENERGY & THE ENVIRONMENT

Generates interdisciplinary research into pragmatic solutions.

Examines identity and discrimination through intersectionality, probing how race, gender, and sexual distinct experiences of vulnerability and resilience.

Strives to broaden the rights and choices through legal scholarship, teaching, and conferences, and by bolstering law and policy advocacy efforts.

Fosters empirical research and theoretical analysis concerning legal institutions, processes, change, and the social consequences of law.

Examines how the civil justice system can be made more available to everyone seeking relief and potential remedies to help level the judicial playing field for litigants.

administration of elections, within the U.S. and globally, via research, education, training technical assistance, and public

Supports legally vulnerable populations with a global focus on climate and energy justice, corruption, rule of law, and human rights.

Promotes human rights and and trains the next generation of human rights researchers and advocates.

INSTITUTE FOR LEGAL RESEARCHFocuses on constitutional law and history, criminal justice, and and houses the Sho Sato Program in Japanese and U.S. Law and the

issues in law and public life, with special concern for the substantive aspects of criminal law.

and political systems by bringing together scholars, judges, exchange of ideas and research.

Supports research and helps through the use of quantitative or mathematical methods.

Promotes and sponsors comparative research and study in religious and civil law, including various Christian traditions.

and public finance, provides it to key stakeholders, and sparks informed discussion of nationally significant tax policies.

Serves as the Redistricting database for California and as a non-partisan resource on census data, elections and election data, districting on all levels, and voting rights.

scholarship that examines the law through a lens of social justice, and helps prepare students to represent



We offer a wide range of pragmatic courses explicitly designed to introduce you to the theory and practice of professional lawyering.

Our programs offer you the opportunity to roll up your sleeves, work with clients, and put legal theory into human practice.



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(Service to others is the rent you pay for your room

here on earth,"
-Muhammad Ali

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CLINICAL PROGRAMS

We currently have 14 live-client clinics and a variety of practicums in areas such as veterans law, intellectual property, and domestic violence. Designed to provide hands-on experience and first-rate legal services, our clinical and practicum programs are directed by faculty members who are highly regarded experts in their fields.

You'll learn the foundational law by participating in a companion seminar, and receive intensive one-on-one supervision throughout.

STUDENT PARTICIPATION HELPED...

DPC

DEATH PENALTY CLINIC offers students a rich opportunity for meaningful training; seeks justice for individuals facing the death penalty by providing them with high-quality representation; and exposes problems endemic to the administration of capital punishment.

...THE CLINIC SUCCESSFULLY LITIGATE
TO OBTAIN DOCUMENTS REVEALING THAT
DEATH PENALTY CHARGING DECISIONS
IN A MAJOR CALIFORNIA COUNTY WERE
ILLEGALLY MADE ON THE BASIS OF RACE
AND ETHNICITY FOR AT LEAST 15 YEARS.

ELC

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CLINIC bolsters our environmental law program by providing live-client experience to students in litigation, administrative agency practice, legislation, and policy analysis.

...WIN A LEGAL RULING THAT FORCED
A CALIFORNIA AGENCY TO RELEASE
GUIDELINES ON THE RISKS OF CELL
PHONE RADIATION AND WAYS TO MITIGATE
EXPOSURE, AND HELPED A BAY AREA CITY
DRAFT AN ORDINANCE TO KEEP TOXIC
CHEMICALS OUT OF THE COMPOST STREAM.

NBCLC

students with business start-ups and low-income entrepreneurs who cannot afford legal consultation, offering students the chance to develop skills in transactional law.

...ADDRESS POVERTY IN RURAL
COMMUNITIES IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY
BY OFFERING FREE LEGAL SERVICES TO
NEW BUSINESS OWNERS DURING TWICE
MONTHLY VISITS.

IHRLC

INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW CLINIC designs and implements creative solutions to advance the global struggle to protect human rights. Students work on individual cases and broad issues in California and globally ...ORGANIZE A HEARING ABOUT MIGRANTS'
DEATHS IN THE US BEFORE THE INTERAMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
INVESTIGATE VIOLENCE AGAINST HUMAN
RIGHTS DEFENDERS, AND STRENGTHEN
THE UN'S RESPONSE TO THE ARBITRARY
DETENTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS.

PAC.

POLICY ADVOCACY CLINIC uses teams of law and public policy students who pursue non-litigation strategies to address systemic racial, economic, and social injustice.

...LEAD A SUCCESSFUL MULTI-YEAR EFFORT TO REPEAL REGRESSIVE AND RACIALLY DISCRIMINATORY FEES CHARGED TO FAMILIES WITH YOUTH IN CALIFORNIA'S JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM.

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SAMUELSON LAW, TECHNOLOGY & PUBLIC POLICY CLINIC

gives students an opportunity to tackle the complexities of technology-related law. The clinic's mission is to support he public interest in technology law and policy and to teacl students through work with real clients.

...PRODUCE A REPORT ON JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAMS ACROSS CALIFORNIA THAT IMPOSE SIGNIFICANT BURDENS ON FAMILIES.



EAST BAY COMMUNITY LAW CENTER (EBCLC) is the community-based component of our Clinical Program, and trains students to provide legal services and policy advocacy that are at once innovative and responsive to the needs of low-income communities.

There are eight clinical practice groups:

- Clean Slate Clinic
- Community Economic Justice Clinic •
- Consumer Justice & General Clinic
- Education Advocacy Clinic
- Health & Welfare Clinic
- Housing Law Clinic
- Immigration Law Clinic
- Youth Defender Clinic

PRO BONO PROGRAM

Some schools have a pro bono requirement. Berkeley Law has a pro bono culture. Case in point: our 40 **Student-Initiated Legal Services Projects** that let you gain client experience beginning as early as your first semester.

These projects are initiated and led by students who have identified a legal need, secured supervising attorneys, and enlisted classmates to help meet that need in an underserved community. The projects address issues such as human trafficking, reproductive justice, housing and employment law, refugee assistance and other immigration issues, and criminal justice.

Want to pursue pro bono work outside of the Bay Area? Try **BLAST!** Our **Berkeley Law Alternative Service Trips** allow students to spend their Spring Break serving clients in different regions of the country. Past trips include, Atlanta, Central Valley, Hawaii, Kentucky, Mississippi, South Texas, and Tijuana. Students will engage in a short but intensive week of service on issues ranging from immigrants rights to environmental justice.

2021-2022 SLPS:

- Animal Law and Advocacy Project
- Arts and Innovation Representation
- Berkeley Immigration Group: Detention Project
- Berkeley Law Anti-Trafficking Project
- Berkeley Law And Organizing Collective
- Berkeley Police Review Project
- California Asylum Representation Project
- Clean Energy Leaders in Law
- Consumer Protection Public Policy Order
- Contra Costa Reentry Project
- DA Accountability & Participatory Defense Project
- Digital Rights Project
- Disability Rights Project
- East Bay Dreamer Project
- Environmental Conservation Outreach
- Food Justice Project
- Foster Education Project
- Free the Land Project
- Gun Violence Prevention Project
- Homelessness Service Project

PRACTICUMS:

- 9th Circuit Practicum
- Comparative Equality Practicum
- Domestic Violence Law Practicum
- Mediation Practicum

- International Human Rights Workshop
- International Refugee Assistance Project
- La Alianza Workers' and Tenants' Rights Clinic
- Legal Automation Workshop
- Legal Obstacles Veterans Encounter
- Name and Gender Change Workshop
- Native American Legal Assistance Project
- Palestine Advocacy Legal Assistance Project
- Political and Election Empowerment Project
- Post-Conviction Advocacy Project
- Prisoner Advocacy Network
- Reentry Advocacy Project
- Reproductive Justice Project
- Startup Law Initiative
- Survivor Advocacy Project
- Tenants' Rights Workshop
- Wage Justice Clinic
- Workers' Rights Clinic
- Workers' Rights Disability Law Clinic
- Youth Advocacy Project
- State and Local Impact Litigation Practicum
- Strategic Constitutional Litigation in Property Rights and Economic Liberty
- Veterans Law Practicum









GO GLOBAL

Among several options to work internationally is the UNHCR (Office of the United Nations High Commissioner on Refugees) Program. This full-year program includes a 1-unit preparatory course in the fall, followed by a spring semester spent in Geneva working with an NGO that supports other countries' UN delegations (and more) while under the supervision of a former U.S. diplomat.

- ACLU
- California State Courts CA Supreme Court, CA Court of Appeal and county Superior Courts

DOMESTIC EXAMPLES

- Federal, state and local government offices - U.S. Attorney, CA Attorney General, County Counsel/City Attorney Offices
- Federal, state and local criminal law offices - Prosecutors and Public Defenders
- **Federal Trade Commission**
- Legal Aid at Work
- Pac-12 Conference
- Sierra Club Environmental Law Program
- U.S. Department of Justice
- U.S. Federal Courts U.S. Courts of Appeals, Ninth Circuit and U.S. District Court, NDCA
- U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission

INTERNATIONAL EXAMPLES

- Centro de los Derechos del Migrante -MEXICO
- Chinese International Economic/Trade **Arbitration Commission - CHINA**
- Constitutional Court of Korea KOREA
- Earth Rights International PERU
- Financial Advisor Task Force FRANCE
- **Human Rights Now JAPAN**
- Iniciativa de Sostenibilidad Legal Corporativa - CHILE
 - Legal Resources Centre SOUTH AFRICA
- **New South Wales Council for Civil** Liberties - AUSTRALIA
- Toronto International Film Festival CANADA
- UN Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunal, THE HAGUE

More examples can be found online: law.berkeley.edu/experiential/ field-placement-program/away-fieldplacement/

ADVOCACY COMPETITIONS

Students can strengthen their professional skills by participating in a wide variety of advocacy competitions beginning in their first year. The student-run Board of Advocates supports Berkeley Law teams competing against other schools in alternative dispute resolution, trial, appellate, and international competitions. Our teams receive extensive coaching from professors, practitioners, and fellow students and are tremendously successful, placing at regional, national, and international events and consistently out-performing other top law schools. A robust offering of internal mock trial, moot court, negotiations, and business law competitions provides students even more opportunities to hone their skills.



STARTUP LAW

STARTUP@BERKELEYLAW is a collaboration between the Berkeley Center for Law and Business and the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology.

It's the umbrella for all startup work across the law school. The program supports students interested in entrepreneurship law and provides legal education and services to the startup community at UC Berkeley and to underrepresented founders throughout the United States (through the Access to Entrepreneurship Initiative). Law students can participate in Startup@BerkeleyLaw through courses, student groups, and other extracurricular activities.



Our experiential education programs are designed for effective, responsible and reflective participation in the legal profession. The skills you'll gain are taught within simulated and/or live-client courses and scenarios.

KEY SKILLS YOU WILL DEVELOP:

- Legal Research and Professional Writing
- Counseling
- Interviewing
- Litigation
- Transactional
- Negotiation
- Mediation
- Legal Drafting
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- Legal Problem Solving
- Legislative Drafting & Lobbying
- Other Legal Practice





MORE THAN 400 EATERIES WITHIN A MILE OF THE SCHOOL. MORE THAN 2,000 ACRES OF HIKING AND BIKING TRAILS JUST UP THE ROAD. MORE THAN 50 LIVE MUSIC VENUES IN BERKELEY. MORE THAN 255 SUNNY DAYS PER YEAR. WAITING FOR YOU.



From politics to poetry, food to film, nature to nightlife, Berkeley has it all. Crave more action? San Francisco glitters just across the Bay.

Keep up with the latest news from our community and see more of what life is like as a student at #BerkeleyLaw by following us on social media.







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CAREER DEVELOPMENT

CAREER DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT

- Programs tailored to the needs of our first-year students, offering pragmatic advice on law careers
- Mock interviews conducted by practicing attorneys to help you refine interview skills and build confidence
- Attorney-led workshops discussing job-search techniques
- An online database of current job listings for students and alumni
- Specialized career counselors, two of which are dedicated to the public interest sector
- Information on judicial clerkships, state and federal agencies, graduate programs and fellowships, public-interest law organizations, and teaching opportunities
- On-campus Interview Program,
 Early Interview Week, and subject-specific recruitment fairs

CLASS OF 2020

JOB TYPE

Law firm	64%
Judicial clerkship	16%
Government	5%
Public interest	13%
Academic	1%
Business	1%
Military	1%

LAW FIRMS BY SIZE



97%
PASS RATE

OVERALL BAR
PASSAGE FOR
1ST TIME TAKERS

2020 BAI

2020 & FUTURE-TERM

CLERKSHIPS

32

different states where grads will be clerking 66

Class of 2020 grads landed federal and state judicial clerkships 110

grads obtained clerkships in the 2020 term

WHEREVER YOU GO, A BERKELEY LAW GRADUATE WILL BE NEARBY. THAT'S BECAUSE NEARLY 17,000 ALUMNI LIVE AND WORK IN ALL 50 STATES AND SOME 107 COUNTRIES.

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GIFT AID

Berkeley Law Opportunity Scholarships (BLOS)

are awarded to select students who are the first in their families to earn a B.A. or the equivalent. It provides recipients with full tuition and fees for three years. Deadline to apply is December 15, and you must have taken the LSAT by November 2021. Additional essay and interview required.

Public Interest Scholarships are awarded to select students demonstrating a commitment to public interest work, and join Berkeley Law's diverse, interdisciplinary, engaged, and impactful public interest community. Awards cover full tuition and fees. No additional application required, but interviews may be incorporated.

Binding Early Decision Awards are for applicants admitted through BED. Recipients are guaranteed gift aid in the amount of \$75,000 (\$25,000 per year for three years). Terms and conditions apply to the BED program.

Gift Aid is non-loan aid administered by Berkeley Law. To help students plan financially, the majority of gift aid offers are made as three-year awards. Awards are based on a comprehensive review of financial need, merit, or a combination. All students are automatically considered for gift aid based on a holistic review of materials in the original application for admission, but financial need consideration requires supplemental application after admission.

Center Scholars will receive at least \$10,000 per year in gift aid, be recognized as Center Scholars, and will be provided faculty and alumni mentorship, support, and programming. There is no separate application for the Center Scholars programs; recipients are selected based on their original application for admission.

UC Scholarships are offered by the UC Berkeley Graduate Fellowships Office, which provides several scholarships for graduate students.

Outside Scholarships We maintain a list of private scholarships for law students. Currently there are over 40 scholarships for which students may qualify.

Continuing Student Scholarships provide several supplemental scholarships for current JD students. Application timelines are announced to all current students. Award amounts vary.

Veteran's Educational Benefits Veterans and their dependents may qualify for tuition waivers. We also participate in the Yellow Ribbon Program.

LOANS

Federal Unsubsidized Loans, Federal Graduate PLUS Loans, Private Loans, UC Emergency Loans Students eligible to file a Free Application for Federal

Student Aid (FAFSA) are encouraged to do so.

2021-22 Tuition and Fees

CALIFORNIA RESIDENT \$56,858 NONRESIDENT \$62.143*

2021-22 Estimated Nine-Month Academic Year

Living Expenses

FOOD & HOUSING \$26,014 **BOOKS & SUPPLIES** \$1,496 **PERSONAL** \$2,790 TRANSPORTATION \$3,240 **HEALTH INSURANCE** \$6,088**

Estimated Total

RESIDENT \$96,486 **NONRESIDENT** \$101,771

* For students who establish California residency during their first year of law school, UC Berkeley offers a notable advantage during years two and three: fees drop from the nonresident rate to the California rate.
** Fee may be waived with proof of existing comparable insurance.
Published fees are estimates and subject to change without notice.

RESOURCES SUPPORTING **PUBLIC INTEREST CAREERS**

LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LRAP)

provides eligible graduates working in public interest careers with assistance repaying their loans. LRAP is integrated with the federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness program (PSLF) and Income-Driven Repayment. Through LRAP, public interest graduates earning less than \$80,000 per year could have no out-of-pocket loan payments, and after 10 years, can apply to have their remaining loan balance fully forgiven through PSLF.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIPS

UC President's Public Service Summer Fellowships provide a stipend in the amount of \$5,000 to \$6,000 to all JD students who are employed in a qualifying position during the summer after their first or second year. Students must complete 25 hours of pro bono work to be eligible to apply.

POST-GRADUATE PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIPS

Bridge Fellowship Program provides short-term financial support while the graduate is searching for permanent public interest positions after taking the bar exam. Public Interest Fellowship (PIF) Program PIF participants work in an apprentice role for a full year, during which they are committed to staying in their placement.

FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

law.berkeley.edu/admissions/ jd/financial-aid



THE JURIS DOCTOR (J.D.) PROGRAM

FIRST-YEAR APPLICANTS

The application for each fall term is available online via the LSAC website (www.lsac.org) from September 1 – February 15. As we employ a rolling review process, you are strongly encouraged to submit a completed application as early as possible, so long as it represents you accurately and fully.

BINDING EARLY DECISION PROGRAM (BED)

If you have determined that Berkeley Law is your first choice law school, you may apply through the binding early decision program. A different application timeline and deadline apply for those applying to our BED program, and a signed BED Agreement acknowledging all terms and conditions is required with your application for admission. An interview may also be required. If you are admitted, you must enroll at Berkeley Law the following fall. No deposit will be required, but you must withdraw all other law school applications and may not initiate any new applications. There is no application fee to apply to BED. If you are not admitted through BED,

your application will be rolled over into Regular Decision. All BED applicants will receive a decision in early December, and if admitted, are automatically awarded \$75,000 in gift aid (distributed as \$25,000 per year for three years).

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Transfer students come from law schools across the country and make a substantial and welcome contribution to the Berkeley Law community.

Applicants are considered for the fall term only.

VISITING STUDENTS

The law school admits a few visiting students who study here for a year but receive their law degrees from their schools of origin. Visiting students admission is available to approximately five students who have completed two years of high-quality work at another law school and have demonstrated a compelling need to spend their third year at Berkeley Law.

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CONCURRENT DEGREES/COMBINED DEGREES

An applicant interested in earning concurrent degrees must gain separate admission to Berkeley Law (using the J.D. application) and the other participating Berkeley school or department. The latter is accomplished by filing a separate application with the Berkeley Graduate Division. EXAMPLES: J.D./M.P.P. AT GOLDMAN, J.D./M.B.A. AT HAAS

An applicant interested in earning combined degrees must gain separate admission to Berkeley Law and the other participating school.

EXAMPLE: J.D./M.P.P. AT HARVARD KENNEDY SCHOOL

JURISPRUDENCE AND SOCIAL POLICY PROGRAM

Although it is a part of the law school's academic program, the Jurisprudence and Social Policy (JSP) Program is a separate graduate program with its own admission criteria and procedures. Admissions information is available online.

We look to admit the kind of people you'll want to spend the next three years around — engaged, driven, curious, and collegial.

We want students who are diverse in every way and who bring their passions — for justice, for social change, for the law — into the classrooms.

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(CLASS OF 2024)

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NUMBER OF RESEARCH INSTITUTES AND CENTERS

STUDENT-PUBLISHED JOURNALS

8 CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS OFFERED

















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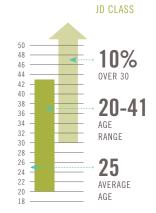
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NUMBER OF PRO-BONO HOURS THAT STUDENTS LOGGED LAST YEAR





CA & NY BAR PASSAGE RATE

STUDENTS OF COLOR



MEDIAN GRADE POINT AVERAGE

MEDIAN LSAT



FIRST IN THEIR FAMILY TO RECEIVE A COLLEGE DEGREE







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ENGLISH

SOCIOLOGY



STUDENT-INITIATED LEGAL PROJECTS

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NUMBER OF COUNTRIES IN WHICH ALUMNI RESIDE

TYPICAL SIZE OF STUDENT BODY



J.D. STUDENTS

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LL.M./J.S.D. STUDENTS





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2022 U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT

The standard calculation is based on the ratio of students to law faculty (full time and partially-weighted part-time)



1L APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- APPLICATION SUBMITTED ONLINE VIA LSAC.ORG
- \$75 NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE OR RECEIPT OF AN APPLICATION FEE WAIVER
- 2 TO 4 LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION SUBMITTED THROUGH LSAC
- PERSONAL STATEMENT (2 - 4 DOUBLE-SPACED PAGES)
- RESUME (NO PAGE LIMIT)
- OPTIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL ESSAYS
 - DIVERSITY STATEMENT
 - "WHY BERKELEY" ESSAY
 - LSAT ADDENDUM (WITH SAT/ACT SCORES)
- OTHER ADDENDA AS REQUIRED (E.G. CHARACTER & FITNESS EXPLANATION, BLOS ESSAY)
- LSAT SCORE TAKEN WITHIN THE LAST 5 YEARS AND NO LATER THAN THE JANUARY 2022 TEST
- A GRE OR GMAT (IF YOU MEET THE CRITERIA TO APPLY WITHOUT THE LSAT) AND SUPPLEMENTAL FORM
- CREDENTIAL ASSEMBLY SERVICE (CAS) REPORT (I.E., YOUR TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY) FROM LSAC
- IF APPLYING BINDING EARLY DECISION, A SIGNED BED AGREEMENT

TRANSFER APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- APPLICATION SUBMITTED ONLINE VIA LSAC.ORG (FEE WAIVED)
- 2 LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FROM LAW PROFESSORS
- PERSONAL STATEMENT
- (2 4 DOUBLE-SPACED PAGES) RESUME (NO PAGE LIMIT)
- LETTER OF GOOD STANDING FROM YOUR HOME LAW SCHOOL
- FIRST YEAR LAW SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT WITH BOTH FALL AND SPRING GRADES
- CREDENTIAL ASSEMBLY SERVICE (CAS) REPORT (I.E., YOUR TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY) FROM LSAC
- OTHER ADDENDA AS REQUIRED (E.G. CHARACTER & FITNESS EXPLANATION)

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